

Recreation

The Grand Waterways!

Newmarket, from its own town landings, offers boaters hours of voyaging through pristine navigable waterways leading to the Atlantic Ocean. From summer sailing, power boating, canoeing, and kayaking, to winter ice skating and cross-country skiing, as well as year-round fishing of every kind, Newmarket's clean and protected fresh and salt waters are truly

the Seacoast area's prized jewel.

Other in-town recreational activities include a 9-hole golf course, athletic club, and town sponsored sporting leagues and fields of all kinds. The mountains and beaches of the State are but short distances away and offer a myriad of additional pleasures.

Preservation of its quality of life as a New England community and an American small town is important to Newmarket, and continues to be one of its primary goals for both present and future. Newmarket is particularly proud of its Old Home Weekend celebration held in mid-August. Festivities include a traditional street fair, tasty barbecue, an ice cream smorgasbord, fireworks and loads of old-fashioned fun. The gala event also features a showy fireman's muster. Sponsored by the New England States Veteran Firemen's League, the muster pits 30-man crews from across New England and New York in an exciting, and wet, competition.

The Newmarket Fishing Derby also attracts quite a few people in town. In the Derby, children of ages 2 to 14 gather at a local, stocked pond and try for the biggest fish. Prizes and certificates are awarded to the winners, while the losers must console themselves with tales of the one that got away.

Newmarket has numerous recreation parks and conservation areas throughout the town including a little league field, softball fields, boat launch areas and walking/jogging trails along the Lamprey River.

The presence of these public facilities speaks to Newmarket's concern for its citizens, especially the young people, and the imagination and energy of its recreation department. The Recreation Department grabs headlines each year for such innovative ideas as outdoor musical chairs for hundreds and tuna fishing derbies with canned tuna and magnet hooks.

REGIONAL

Beaches

Only 15 miles from New Hampshire's 17 miles of pristine Atlantic coastline.

Mountains

60 minutes to the renowned White Mountain National Forest, for skiing, hiking, camping, and a host of other outdoor activities.

Rivers

The Lamprey River is New Hampshire's longest, stretching over 40 miles, completely contained within the state. Winding through Newmarket it offers some of the finest trout, bass and even salmon fishing in the state. Emptying into Great Bay it is truly an exceptional river offering a variety of recreation like fishing, canoeing, swimming and boating year-round.

Great Bay

Great Bay, an inland Atlantic Bay, is 4,471 acres of tidal waters and 48 miles of shoreline. Spectacular in its beauty and abundance in wildlife and habitat, it is even home to Bald Eagles, Osprey and Atlantic Salmon testifying to its pristine nature.

CULTURAL

Restaurants

Newmarket and the entire Seacoast area has a number of eating establishments with a variety of restaurants featuring ethnic and continental cuisine.

Professional Theater Groups & Professional Ballet Troupes

Portsmouth Music Hall, Mill Pond Center, UNH Department of Theater and Dance, Portsmouth Academy of Performing Arts, Seacoast Repertory, Hackmatack Playhouse, Garrison Players, Boston Theater District; Ballet New England, Pontine Movement Theater

Professional Orchestras New Hampshire Symphony, Boston Symphony Orchestra, Boston Pops

Art Galleries:

League of New Hampshire Craftsmen, NH Art Association, Durham Art Association, Kennedy Studios, Old Port Artisans, Pierce Gallery, Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, N.W. Barrett Gallery, Prescott Park Arts Festival

Museums

- The Children's Museum of Portsmouth
- Gilman Museum
- Kittery Historical and Navy Museum
- Port of Portsmouth Maritime Museum & Albacore Park
- Tuck Memorial Museum
- Strawberry Banke Museum
- American Independence Museum
- Woodman Institute Museum
- Society for the Prevention of New England Antiquities
- Numerous museums in the greater Boston area

SPORTS

Professional Sports/Facilities

The Whittemore Center, Complex, University of New Hampshire, Durham: The complex is home of the UNH Wildcats' ice hockey and basketball games and host of entertainment shows. Other annual events include Boston Pops concerts, Disney on Ice, Shrine Circus, and trade and housing shows are also based there.

New Hampshire International Speedway

Located in nearby Loudon, New Hampshire is a brand new world class Indy Car and NASCAR racetrack that features the world's greatest drivers and

winningest teams.

Fenway Park
In Kenmore Square, home of the Boston Red Sox.
The Fleet Center

Located in Boston's Downtown North End section and home of the Boston Bruins and Boston Celtics as well as other professional and amateur sporting events and a host of entertainment and trade shows.

Foxboro Stadium

Route 1, Foxboro. New England's own professional football team, the New England Patriots, and major league soccer team, the New England Revolution, make their home at Foxboro.

The Cumberland County Civic Center

Civic Square, Portland. The Portland Pirates hockey team, the AHL affiliate team of the Washington Capitols, plays 40 home games between Oct .-April.

Golf

- Rockingham Country Club
- East Kingston Golf Club
- Exeter Country Club
- Pease Golf Course
- Sagamore Hampton Golf Club
- Wentworth By the Sea
- Portsmouth Country Club
- Cocheco Country Club
- Other numerous driving ranges.

Boating/Fishing

Atlantic Fishing Fleet, Eastman's Deep Sea Fishing, F/V Saga, Isles of Shoals Steamship Co., M/V/
Granite State, NH Seacoast Cruises, Portsmouth Harbor Cruises.